

The Columbus Journal

Consolidated with the Columbus Times April 1, 1904; with the Platte County Argus January 1, 1906.

VOLUME XXXVIII. NUMBER 37.

COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1907.

WHOLE NUMBER 1,883.



A Hint From Old Santa

as to what will be best appreciated by rich and poor alike at the glad Christmas season should surely be worth considering. Old Santa says: Buy a barrel or sack of Way Up flour for yourself—for someone else as well—and make a lot of people happy, for Columbus Roller Mills flour is the best made.

Columbus Roller Mills.

COLUMBUS MARKETS.	
Oats.....	40
Wheat.....	85
Eye.....	85
Old Corn.....	42
New Corn.....	42
Barley.....	40
Hogs.....	\$3.80 to \$3.90

MANY YEARS AGO.

Files of the Journal, Dec. 17, 1873.

Every farmer in Nebraska may have \$50 annually for five years from taxation for every acre of fruit trees he plants and properly cares for.

We know of several farmers who have already bought corn for feed. We imagine that not much of this valuable grain will be used for feed this winter.

There are several crops of wheat in this neighborhood not yet threshed, and thousands of bushels garnered, for sale when prices reach \$1.00 and upward.

Messrs. Gerrard & Reed, bankers, inform us that since the wheat market opened here, they have paid in cash over their counters for wheat purchased there an average of \$3,000 a day. This of itself is an excellent record, but does not include all purchases made.

Mr. J. P. Becker informs us that three years ago the shipment of wheat from this place amounted to not more than twelve car loads. This fall, so far, as Mr. Becker informs us, there have been upwards of four hundred car loads shipped. This was a somewhat better year than 1870 for the culture of wheat, but the immense increase is attributable to the vastly increased acreage of 73 over any former year, and we believe that next year the acreage will be double what it was this. Wheat grows well on soil (and there was much of it turned last summer) and the winter, so far, gives fair promise of an excellent yield of all kinds of crops next season. From all accounts we have, this winter is similar to that of 1893, when a good snow fell early without wind to drift it, and laid nearly all winter. There is no better fertilizer than snow and rain, both of which contain a great quantity of ammonia.

Workmen Elect Officers

Columbus lodge No. 568, Ancient Order of United Workmen, elected the following officers for the ensuing year at their regular meeting last Friday evening:

Louis Held, master workman.
C. W. Freeman, foreman.
Martin Langley, overseer.
Richard Ramsey, recorder.
J. W. Herrod, receiver.
Herman Greening, inside watchman.
Leo Laughlin, outside watchman.
Martin Costello, trustee.

Great big special inducements on base burner's, heaters and ranges during our holiday sale at GRAY'S.

The funeral of the late Daniel McGrath Condon, who died December 12, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. David Hale in Kansas City, from dropsy, was held at St. Bonaventura church last Saturday afternoon. Daniel Condon was born in Mitchellstown, county Cork, Ireland, March 10, 1838. He came to Montreal, Canada, with his parents when eight years of age, and in 1861 was married to Anna O'Connor at that place. In 1861 he came to Columbus and located on a homestead east of town in Colfax county, near Richland. He at first engaged in farming, and later took up railroad contracting, building the Oregon Short Line tunnel at Fossil, Wyo., in 1891-2-3, and later in partnership with Con Gallagher, built the stock yards at South Omaha. Early in the seventies he circulated a petition starting here, asking for the pardon of Edward O'Meara Condon, when he was confined in a British prison, and obtained so many signatures that President Hayes took the matter up with the result that Condon was released. During the big flood of 1881 four of James Hany's children died of diphtheria, and Mr. Condon brought the cadavers from Columbus, making part of the trip in a boat through a portion of the Platte fitted with running ice. He was a man of sterling worth and a kind and loving father and husband. During the last summer he spent seven weeks at Montreal, after an absence of twenty-five years. He leaves to mourn his loss, the following children: Mrs. Jennie Walker and Eugene Condon of this city, Mrs. James H. Hale and D. F. Jondson of Kansas City, and Mrs. F. J. Boston of Omaha. Those from out of town who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. James H. Hale and son Arthur and daughter Margaret, and Dan F. Condon of Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Boston and son Harold of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. James Condon, Jennie James, Margaret, Dan and Roy Condon, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Condon and son John, Mrs. Clarence McFarland, and David Anderson, South Omaha, Michael Murphy, of David City.

Deputy Sheriff Jaworski returned Saturday from Hastings, Neb., with Ira Connor, who stole the Ford touring car from the garage of Fred Lann, near Platte Center, early Thursday morning. It seems that Connor has been hunting trouble lately, as at the time of this last escapade Sheriff Carrig had a warrant for him on the charge of forgery. He came down from Central City Wednesday evening and rode out with someone as far as Max Gottberg's, going from there to Lann's on foot. After taking the automobile he did not start the engine until out of hearing of the owners house, and when he did, he ran along the side of the road to throw his pursuer off the track. He passed through Monroe early in the morning between four and five o'clock, and did not have any light although the night was quite dark. T. J. E. Pinson had a ten gallon can of gasoline he was using for his engine, and Connor used this for the machine he took. He was captured at Prosser, west of Hastings, and the authorities here notified, and he is now in the county jail, and faces a charge that will very likely send him to the penitentiary.

Lying dead in a cornfield, with a bullet hole back of his ear, presumably a suicide, the body of Velma Farris was found Saturday afternoon by his employer, Frank McLean, who lives on the old Belmont place, near Clarka. A revolver clamped in his hand, with one chamber emptied, told the tale of how he met his death. The young man had been working for McLean for a short time, and nothing peculiar had been noted in his actions, until Saturday afternoon, when McLean noticed the team standing still in the field where he was husking corn, and going to see what was the matter, made the above gruesome discovery. No motive is given for the deed, if the young man's death was premeditated, although some are disposed to accord his rash action to disappointment in a love affair. He was 22 years of age, and a young man of more than ordinary intelligence. His home was at Shelby and the body was taken there for burial.

Special prices on ladies and children's cloaks during the holidays at GRAY'S.

Stag and toilet sets at Leavy.
Mrs. Paul and Marion, Dentists.
Dr. Leachman Oculist and earist.
Attend GRAY'S holiday sale.
Cob meal for your cows at Scott's.
Dr. Waller, Osteopath, Barber block.
Dr. W. H. Slater, veterinarian, phone 98.
People who get results advertise in the Journal.
Cigars on ice at the bowling and billiard parlor.
All kinds of flour at the same old prices at GRAY'S.
Big values in electric portable lamps at GRAY'S.
All kinds of Christmas cigars at the Bowling Parlor.
Miss Bertha Elmshammer spent last Sunday at Fremont.
Dr. C. A. Alsenberger, office in new State Bank building.
C. D. Evans made a business trip to Omaha last Thursday.
Headquarters for Xmas presents, Galley's Dry Goods Store.
Delicious brick ice cream for sale at the bowling and billiard parlor.
Ice cream, less, sherbet and cakes of all kinds to order at Jones' Bakery.
The Standard Dancer subscriptions taken at 50 cts. a year at Galley's.
Ralph Turner is on his way home from Syracuse, N. Y., for the holiday season.
Ernest & Brock's is the place to get feed. Ind. phone 98, Bell phone Red 307.
Mr. and Mrs. John Janning returned last week from their eastern wedding trip.
Chop feed of all kinds delivered free of charge. The prices will make you smile, at Scott's.
Boys are always ready for a pocket knife or a pair of skates for Christmas at GRAY'S.
A complete new line of mens and boys clothing and overcoats in all the late styles at Galley's.
Miss Laura Engel, living near Dunson is visiting at the home of Miss Matilda Schneider several days.
Miss Martha Kummer, living in the South neighborhood, is visiting at the home of Miss Matilda Schneider.
Mrs. D. E. Poesch arrived in this city last Sunday from Chicago, for a brief visit with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schroeder.
Mrs. George Looske, living north of Columbus, who has been seriously ill for the past month, is now on her way of recovery.
Mrs. J. Ludwig, accompanied by Miss Rowe of Orono, were pleasant callers at the home of Jack Magill and family last Friday.
For Sale—Harness shop doing good business, also shows repair shop in connection. Call on or address Peter Munter, Monroe, Neb.
Miss Minnie Rudat living southwest of town is a patient at St. Mary's hospital were she underwent an operation for appendicitis last Monday.
Wait for the big Piano Sale during November and December at E. W. Saley's Music Store in North opera house.
Meat choppers, roasters, bread mixers, carving sets, fancy nickel plated baking dishes, tea and coffee pots, all very useful presents at GRAY'S.
A large line of ladies and gents linen handkerchiefs in both plain and initial, in beautiful boxes, make a nice Xmas present. At Galley's Dry Goods Store.
W. C. Hennigan who has been night operator at the Union Pacific depot for the past year, left Tuesday for Fremont where he probably will take up a position.
Baptist church, Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "A Successful Promoter." Evening, "An Unwelcome Guest."

R. S. Palmer the tailor, clean, dye and repairs Ladies' and Gents' clothing. Hats cleaned and reblocked. Buttons made to order. Agent Germania Dye Works. Nebraska Phone.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Towns are spending the holidays with relatives at Hamburg, Ia. On their return they expect to move to Grand Island, where Mr. Towns has a position in a cigar factory.
Messrs. N. P. Peterson of Monroe township and S. Paulson of near West Hill were in the city Tuesday evening, each having a car load of fat cattle they were shipping to the Omaha market.
Grace church, Sunday, Dec. 23d, services will be as follows: 7:30 a. m. holy communion; Sunday school 9:45; morning prayer 10:15, instead of the usual 11 a. m. service; evening and sermon 7:30 p. m.
Mrs. Thompson Craig of Emmet, Idaho, has been in the city several days, visiting at the home of Mrs. M. K. Turner. She has been back at the old home in Odia, Ohio, the first visit in twenty-five years, and will resume her journey to the west Saturday evening.

Do Your Choosing Any Time Now

We're as ready as big buying can make a jewelry store.
We don't believe you'll have to excuse our stock for anything.

It's new enough—and varied enough—and large enough to justify our saying there is nothing to be gained by going further than our store.
Our list of "presentables" is the biggest yet—in expectation of a generous patronage.

And could all who read this take a peep at our array, there would be no doubt of the result. However we are expecting and looking for a visit from you, and we feel abundantly able to make your call interesting and profitable.

Ed. J. NEWHNER.
Jeweler & Optician

Becher, Hockenberger & Chambers

REAL ESTATE AND LOANS.

Whenever desiring investment in real estate, either farm lands or town lots, it will be to your interest to consult our line. We also have several good dwellings for rent in Columbus, and it will pay you to come and see us before completing your arrangements.

Money to loan in any amount on short notice.
Fire, Tornado and Accident Insurance.

Becher, Hockenberger & Chambers

Dr. Naumann, Dentist 13 St.
G. R. Priebe, painting and paper hanging.

Special sale of Cloaks at GRAY'S this week.

A new line of ladies fur coats and collars at Galley's.

Wanted—Girl for general housework. Mrs. F. K. Strother.

Dr. D. T. Martyn, Jr., office new Columbus State Bank building.

Dr. L. P. Carstensen, Veterinarian both phones 212, Columbus, Neb.

The "President" suspenders. Each pair in a beautiful Christmas box, at Galley's.

Fresh oysters, bulk and can, always on hand. Will have a large supply for Christmas. Jones' Bakery.

A box of cigars will make a very nice Christmas present. The finest line in the city at the Bowling Parlor.

A splendid line of ladies kid gloves—the "Simmons" brand—just the thing for a Christmas gift, at Galley's Dry Goods Store.

Say, farmers, do you want some cob meal for your cows? If you do, bring in your ear corn, we will make it at right prices. Scott's.

Platte county this year draws from the State school fund the sum of \$4,979.08. The number of school children in the county are 6,978, and perhaps it will be a matter of news to some to know that there are only eight other counties in the state with more school children than Platte.

Special sale on fur jackets at GRAY'S

Underwear UNION SUITS

We have the agency for the famous Munsing Underwear, the best popular priced Union Suits on the market. Prices in men's from \$1.50 to \$4.50. Prices in boys' from 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.25.

Underwear TWO-PIECE SUITS

In two piece garments we have a splendid line ready for your inspection and ranging in price from 50c to \$2.50 a garment. Buy early while the sizes are complete.

GRAY'S

Charles H. Yale takes pleasure in sending out his "Eminent Devil's Auction" Company, and this year the introduction of a number of European specialties is particularly pleasing to the ladies and children. This is a strong feature of this production, and to this point have engaged the famous Brothers Clemmons, Musical Grotesques. These artists were among the recent importations of Klaw & Erlanger's Advanced Vaudeville, and upon the termination of their engagement with this noted firm, were secured by Manager Yale for his "Devil's Auction." The scenery, mechanical, transformation and trick changes have always been one of the "Devil's Auction's" strongest features, a fact fully appreciated by its management and not lost sight of in this 25th edition. Quite a number of new scenes and effects have been prepared, notably, "The Devil's Volcano" with marvelous electric effects, "The Realm of Mephisto" introducing at the finale of this scene a most original and novel instantaneous change to a full stage "set" representing "The Beautiful Valley of Andocoe," two new comedy trick scenes, "The Gates of the Castle Morphous" and "The Magic Picture Gallery" which in conjunction with the magnificent "Garden of the Manikins," "The Grand Tournament Scene," "The Sphinx Scene," with its many other elaborate changes too numerous to particularize, promises to make the 25th edition of "The Eminent Devil's Auction" the most notable production of its phenomenal career.

Attend GRAY'S special sale in Union Camp No. 124, Sons of Veterans, elected the following officers for the ensuing year at their regular meeting, December 14: E. R. Reed, commander, A. O. Boone, senior vice commander, Chas. Wardman, junior vice commander, A. L. Bullin, Henry Westbrook, E. P. Dunell, camp clerk, Bert J. Galley, secretary, L. A. Jenkins, treasurer. A. O. Boone was elected delegate to the division encampment and Chas. Wardman alternate. The commander appointed Bert J. Galley as installing officer for the annual installation. The following officers were appointed by the commander: L. E. DeWolf, chaplain; Geo. H. Grubb, principal musician; Dr. J. E. Paul, patriotic instructor; J. B. Teubert, color sergeant; Henry Westbrook, sergeant of the guard; C. E. Devlin, corporal of the guard; C. O. Jones, camp guard; Eugene Clark, picket guard.

One of the most attractive holiday advertisements that has come before the Trade Exhibit is the double page advertisement of Gray's Department Store at Columbus, Neb. The page is surrounded by holly leaves and berries in natural colors. Fine engravings are used for illustration and hundreds of articles are described and prices given. These prices are such as to interest buyers, whether residents of the city or the country, and demonstrate the fact that Gray's goods are cheaper than the large city department stores or the exclusive mail order houses. On December 18th this store will inaugurate a holiday sale which will continue until Christmas. Were the average merchant to adopt Mr. Gray's plan of advertising, it would soon make the business of the mail order concerns would be decreased by half—Omaha Trade Exhibit.

Buy your rugs at GRAY'S holiday sale.
Special services will be held at Grace church on Christmas day as follows: Choral midnight celebration, Christmas eve at 11:45. Bazaar communion service with solos by Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. Leo Gietzen and Mr. Fred Saffron. Organist, Prof. Sike; violinist, Miss Elsie Pohl. At this service a beautiful Brass Quartet will be presented to the church as a memorial gift and dedicated by Dr. Westcott. Christmas day there will be a celebration of the holy communion at 10 a. m., with the administration of the sacrament of holy baptism. The Sunday school exercises will be held on Holy Innocents Day, Saturday, Dec. 29 Arthur J. Westcott, Rector.

At the regular meeting of the lady Macabees last Thursday afternoon, five new members were initiated and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Past Commander, Mrs. Jennie Hagel; commander, Mrs. Carrie Slater; lieutenant commander, Mrs. B. H. Schubert; record keeper, Mrs. Cora Boyd; finance auditor, Miss Maud Woolsey; chaplain, Mrs. Ellen From; sergeant, Mrs. Ida Jones; mistress-at-arms, Mrs. Eva Hollenback; sentinel, Mrs. Alice Lohr; picket, Mrs. Florence Reiter; organist, Miss Vesta Slater; assistant organist, Mrs. Anna Welch; examining physician, Dr. Martyn, Jr.

Good values in linens at GRAY'S holiday sale.
Both the morning and evening services next Sunday at the First Methodist church will be devoted to the Christmas season. Special music will be rendered at each service. The subject for discussion at the morning hour is "Jesus: He Shall Save His People" and that for the evening, "The Christ, Self Impoverished for the World's Enrichment." On Tuesday evening the Sabbath children will render the cantata, "The Santa Claus Club." A general invitation is extended for all these services. LORON R. DeWOLF.

Big values in fancy lamps at GRAY'S.

A Platte County Girl in Scotland.
The following is an extract from a letter from Miss Sadie Wilson, a graduate of the Columbus High school and daughter of W. D. Wilson of Oconee, who is now in Scotland:

On October 5th I left Columbus, Neb. The route from there to New York was very ordinary, with the exception of the beautiful scenery in Pennsylvania, the horse-drawn bays being especially grand. Arrived at Jersey City Oct. 7, and took the ferry to New York. Through the kindness of a friend in Columbus, I was entertained there and spent one day in the city shopping. The elevated cars are the best mode of conveyance I have seen in any of the cities. On Oct. 8, I boarded the steamer Adriatic, of the White Star line, and on Tuesday morning at 6:30 we sailed. This steamer is not so swift as the Lusitania, but certainly is sturdier. She weighs 25,000 tons, and is 736 feet long. The ship is fitted out very luxuriously, and an enormous space is devoted to the culinary department. It is very much like a small village, having small stores in the forward part of the ship. We had some very nice passengers on board, and it does not take long to become acquainted. We arrived at Southampton Oct. 17. My impressions of that place were not of the best for it was raining, and I learned that it had been the greater part of three months, both in England and Scotland—so much in fact that farmers still have their grain out in shocks all over the country. From Southampton we went to London where I remained only a few hours, not long enough to see much of the grandeur of the city. The scenery through England to Stirling, Scotland, is perfect—one sees nothing but stone houses, many of them quaint old designs, with thatched roofs, possibly built a century ago. Scotland is very similar to England, perhaps more picturesque and more historic. At Stirling I visited the famous Bridge of Allan and Stirling Castle, built in the time of Bruce and Wallace. The soldiers have their headquarters there, even yet sentry in full dress (kilt) are on duty constantly. From the castle beautiful views of the winding river Forth and surrounding country can be obtained. In Edinburgh I visited Princess street, one of the prettiest streets in the world. On one side there is a long row of splendid stores and on the other Edinburgh Castle, a grand old structure, up many feet from the level of the city. This castle is well kept and soldiers are in evidence everywhere. I also saw the home of John Knox, Sir Walter Scott's monument and Arthur's seat, a huge mountain of rocks forming the figure of a lion. Then at Queen's ferry the British channel ferry and others were harbored when I went through. The fleet consists of about thirty battleships and forty gunboats. At Coldstream I have seen ruins of War, Fortin and Norham castles. Then we saw the house where the famous Coldstream Guards were raised. We also went to the bridge over the Tweed where one can put one foot in Scotland and one in England. At Glasgow, where I am at present, attending the Athenaeum school of music, I have seen their Botanical Gardens, Art galleries and the Zoo. The people here are very different in their manners and customs—an American is easily picked out and I will stay here about four months and will write again later.

Last Saturday Axel Nelson, an employee of the planning mill, met with a painful and what might have been a serious accident. He was engaged in sawing a large timber on the band saw and was backing up towards the machine, not noticing how close he was until the saw touched his arm. A gash was cut out in his arm that required twenty-six stitches, and it will be some time before he will be able to resume work again. Mr. Nelson is congratulating himself on his lucky escape from the probable loss of an arm.

Wait for the big Piano Sale during November and December at E. W. Saley's Music Store in North opera house.

As usual, we have the largest assortment of Christmas candies in town to select from. Jones' Bakery.

Christmas Presents

FOR LADIES

Lowney's Chocolates
Traveling Cases, Hair
Brushes, Combs, Mir-
rors, Fountain Pens,
Perfumeries, Writing
Paper, etc. :: :: ::

FOR GENTLEMEN

Cigars' Cigar Cases,
Gillette Razors, Foun-
tain Pens, Bill Books,
Letter and Card Cases,
Traveling Cases, Collar
and Cuff Boxes, Military
Hair Brushes, Clothes
and Hat Brushes :: :: ::

Pollock & Co.
The Druggist on the Corner
Columbus, Nebraska

Nice Holiday presents at Leavy's.
Miss Bertha Cover spent Sunday in Schuyler visiting at the home of Miss Bertha Platts.

Mrs. Fred Hollenback is spending a week in Fremont, the guest of Mrs. Susie Edwards.

A complete line of neckwear in four in hands, scarfs, also wool and silk mufflers at Galley's Dry Goods Store, headquarters for Xmas presents.

The financial depression must have had some effect on the matrimonial market, not one marriage license having been issued since December 3.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Gerrard returned Sunday from their wedding trip through the east, and expect to move into their new residence in the northeast part of town.

Shell Clark, county assessor elect, was in the city this week looking after matters at the court house and preparing to assume his duties the first of the year.

Mrs. G. M. Douglas entertained the evening card club at her home on East Twelfth Street, Thursday evening. The usual good time was reported and the favors were won by Mrs. Otto Kummer and Mrs. Will Kaufmann. The club will meet next week at the home of Mrs. Will Kaufmann.

George Alfred Fride was born in St. Charles, Kane Co. Ill., April 6, 1854, and died Dec. 12, 1907, aged 53 years, 8 months and 6 days. He was married to Florence Wagner on Nov. 7, 1878. He came to Nebraska in 1880, and united with the Methodist Episcopal church at Fullerton in 1884, and buried from the Methodist church last Sunday at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. DeWolf officiating.

City Carrier J. E. Ballou was one of the contestants for the Omaha Daily News proverb contest, and after the guesses were all in some of his fellow workers concluded to have a little fun at his expense. They prepared a telegram which informed him that he had won first prize and extended congratulations. Mr. Ballou took the joke good naturedly and says the laugh would be on the other fellows should he happen to win the prize.

At the regular meeting of Leroy Lodge No. 254, D. of H. Monday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Past chief, Mrs. J. Dolan; chief, Mrs. J. F. Kirkpatrick; lady of honor, Mrs. G. M. Douglas; lady of ceremonies, Mrs. Taylor; financier, Mrs. Geo. Willard; receiver, Mrs. J. Lannan; recorder, Mrs. R. McCray; usher, Mrs. D. Patch; inside watch, Mrs. Louis Held; outside watch, J. Lannan; trustees, Mrs. J. F. Kirkpatrick, Messrs. J. Lannan and Ed Rositter.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind words and the sympathy shown during the loss of our kind and loving father.

CHILDREN OF DANIEL M. CONDON.

Car Load Michigan Apples

For quick sale by the barrel at the Burlington Depot, Columbus

Lay in your Christmas apples now, Northern Spies, Baldwins, Bellflower, Russets, Etc.

Come Right to the Car and See the Stock

H. B. HARSH

Patronize Home

BY

Using fresh, clean, wholesome home-made candies, manufactured by Poesch, for sale at the following business houses:

—Poesch's Candy Factory
—Keating & Schram, Groceries
—Brunken & Haney, Groceries

All goods sold by the above firms are guaranteed to be made according to the pure food laws. Call and see us. "Patronize Home" is our motto.

Free! Free! Free!

With each 25c purchase you receive a chance on a 100-piece Dinner Set free by buying your goods of us.

Poesch's Candy Factory